

MEETING OF THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION GEORGE A PUREFOY MUNICIPAL CENTER VIVIAN MCCALLUM 4TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM 6101 FRISCO SQUARE BOULEVARD FRISCO, TEXAS 75034

6:00 PM

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2009

MINUTES

Chair	Will Sowell	Present
Vice Chair	Jim Joyner	Present
Member	Bill Woodard	Present
Member	David Buck	Absent
Member	Tim Nelson	Present
Member	Jerry Holder	Present
Member	June Taylor	Present
Member	Mark Dunton	Absent
Member	Dick Abernethy	Present
Member	Doug Mousel	Present

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Sowell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present.

ROLL CALL

Councilman Pat Fallon arrived at 6:50 p.m.

Representing staff were Deputy City Manager Henry Hill; City Attorney Rebecca Brewer; Records Coordinator Angela Lunsford; and City Secretary Jenny Page.

CITIZEN INPUT

No one was present to speak.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Consider and act on approval of the October 5, 2009 Charter Review Meeting and October 12, 2009 Special City Council and Charter Review Meeting.

June Taylor moved to approve the October 5, 2009 Charter Review Meeting minutes. Jim Joyner seconded the motion.

Passed

Vote: 8 - 0

For: Will Sowell, Jim Joyner, Bill Woodard, Tim Nelson, Jerry

Holder, Dick Abernethy, June Taylor, Doug Mousel;

Against: (None)

Jim Joyner moved to approve the October 12, 2009 Special City Council and Charter Review Meeting minutes. Bill Woodard seconded the motion. June Taylor abstained from voting since she was not at that meeting.

Passed

Vote: 7 - 0

For: Will Sowell, Jim Joyner, Bill Woodard, Tim Nelson, Jerry

Holder, Dick Abernethy, Doug Mousel;

Against: (None)

2. Discussion in regard to tentative changes to the Charter after review by City Council.

Chairman Sowell began the Review by commenting that due to the time restraints by some attending the Town Hall Meeting at 7 p.m., some topics that required lengthy discussion might be delayed until the next meeting. He then asked for any questions.

Doug Mousel asked for an update on the Joint Council meeting last week since he was not present.

Jerry Holder commented that he was curious about 3.07(4) and why there was still discussion. He thought it had already been determined that the City Secretary should report to the City Manager. Bill Woodard commented that he tallied the vote and it was split 3 to 3. It was suggested that this topic might need more discussion than time allowed at this meeting. Will Sowell commented that Henry Hill had a discussion with Mayor Maso and the mayor was fine with the City Secretary reporting to the City Manager. Chairman Sowell asked the Council to move on as this subject seemed to be settled.

The Commission moved on to the items discussed in the chart prepared by Chairman Sowell.

Recommendation that language should be changed to reflect references to both Collin and Denton Counties in all instances.

- 3.02 recommendation that language would be clarified to explain that a council member can only serve 18 consecutive terms in a combined office.
- 3.02 a straw poll resulted in accepting the proposed language that a Council member must set out one full term after serving 9 years.
- 3.09(1) recommendation that proposed additional language to read: provided, however, the City Council may, in its sole discretion, determine to hold on (1) regular monthly meeting two (2) months out of the year.
- 3.10 recommendation to accept draft language to read: *City Council vs. Council Members*. This will allow the Mayor to break a 2 to 2 tie.
- 4.01- There is a conflict in the City Manager's contract and the Charter in regard to his pay if terminated.
- 4.05(1) It is not clear how City Manager and Council can change around departments.

Henry Hill asked that 4.01 and 4.05(1) be delayed until next week to allow time to discuss the issue with Mayor Maso and for City Attorney Rebecca Brewer to review.

- 5.02(2)(a) recommendation that a candidate shall be 18 years of age when they take office. They can submit an application for office at 17 if they will be 18 when they take office.
- 5.02 recommendation that there should not be a filling fee or petition to run for office and the proposed section H, should not be added.

Pat Fallon arrives at 6:50 p.m. Doug Mousel left at 6:52 p.m.

6.02 - recommendation to require 30% or 150, whichever is greater, of the number of votes cast in the last Mayoral Election.

Jenny Page left at 6:55 p.m.

Chairman Sowell suggested continuing the discussion at the next meeting.

3. Discussion regarding future agenda items.

Changes determined during this meeting will be discussed next Monday and the additional items. Chairman Sowell recommended a joint work session with Council on November 2, 2009 and to present final recommendations at the November 17th Regular Council Meeting.

ADJOURN

Jim Joyner	moved to	o approve	adjourn	at 7:02 p	o.m. June	Taylor	seconded	the
motion.								

Passed Vote: 7 - 0

For: Will Sowell, Jim Joyner, Bill Woodard, Tim Nelson, Jerry

Holder, Dick Abernethy, June Taylor;

Against: (None)

(Please note these are preliminary meeting minutes and are not official until approved by the Charter Review Commission at the next scheduled meeting.)

	Will Sowell, Chairman	
ATTEST:		
Jenny Page, City Secretary		